



## Miller Lane Improvements - Frequently Asked Questions

### Why was the Feasibility Study initiated for Miller Lane Improvements?

The Feasibility Study was completed to investigate the safety, operation, infrastructure and aesthetics of the Miller Lane corridor. The last corridor study was completed in 2013.

### When did the Feasibility Study begin?

In June, 2021, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution to enter into an agreement with LJB, Inc. for the Feasibility Study. A kickoff meeting was held on July 9, 2021.

### When was the Feasibility Study completed?

The Feasibility Study was finalized in December, 2021, but the final draft was not completed until March, 2022.

**What improvements were recommended by the Feasibility Study?** (Detailed information can be found in the Feasibility Study.)

- Capacity Improvements
- Corridor Access Management
- Round-a-bout at Maxton & Miller
- Lighting
- Streetscape
- I-75 & Benchwood Overpass Improvements
- Pedestrian Connectivity

### What funding strategies were identified by the Feasibility Study?

A combination of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District funding, Joint Economic Development Zone (JED-Z) funds, outside grants, partnerships, and loan programs were identified as potential funding strategies.

### What steps have been taken since the Feasibility Study was finalized?

- In August, 2021, the Township was successful in obtaining a \$600,000 LTIP grant from OPWC for improvements from Benchwood to Maxton Road.
- In January, 2022, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution to enter into a contract with the Transportation Improvement District (TID) to manage Phase I of the Miller Lane Improvement project, including engineering, design, and construction management.
- In February, 2022, a kick-off meeting was held with the TID and LJB, Inc. to begin preliminary engineering.
- In June & July, 2022, 2 business meetings were hosted with the businesses in the Benchwood Station business district. An additional meeting was hosted by Phil Plummer & Singer Properties at the Drury Inn on July 12, 2022.

### What are the next steps?

The information gathered, including the Feasibility Study, stakeholder input, preliminary engineering, and budget analysis, will help the township prioritize strategies and identify next steps for the Miller Lane improvement project.